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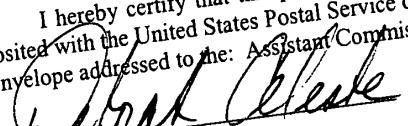
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[] the explanation provided in the Specification.

[] submission of the enclosed International Search Report.

[X] the enclosed English language abstract.

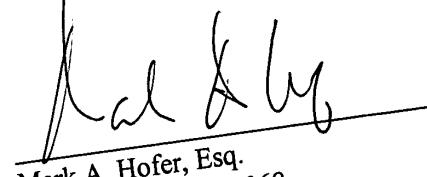
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